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IN THE MATTER OF THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD'S REVIEW OF OHIO
ADM.CODE CHAPTERS 4906-1, 4906-2, 4906-3, 4906-4, 4906-5, 4906-6, AND
4906-7

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My name is Mary Ann Hartzler. I am an RN certified in community and public health with advanced medical training. I wish to address the issue of shortening the setbacks of industrial solar plants. This change would increase the numbers and disabilities of people already having these problems or who are at great risk of developing problems.

We know health issues already exist here in the Fountain Point area of Logan County, a project which is now undergoing review. There are children with ADHD, autism, pediatric migraine syndrome, and/or epilepsy. Photosensitivity is one of the major causes of migraines and epileptic seizures. Loud continuous noise sets off aberrant behaviors in these children. Did you have pediatric neurologists and cardiologists in consultation with you before writing these proposed rules? Did you have them visit these families? SUDEP (sudden unexpected death in epilepsy) causes 3000 deaths per year in children and young adults. None of these conditions can be cured by medications. Will these short setbacks allow these children a place to safely play?

On to adults--many adults have epilepsy--some with good response to meds and others who have a minimal response to meds. I will use myself as an example. I have bi-temporal lobe epilepsy and my neurologist and I went through 5 different meds before we found two that brought my seizures from 8-10 a week to 3-4. Photosensitivity is my number one trigger even though I have demonstrated 15 more.

But not every adult has epilepsy. Many have hypertension, cardiomyopathy, arthritis, multiple sclerosis, myasthenia gravis, strokes, cancer etc. Did you have any of the specialists in these professions consult with you or did you even invite them to consult with you?

When OPSB approves an application, it has to show that it is for public good. We are the public. Is it public good to make the public ill?
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Setbacks must remain at 150' from non-participating boundaries. I oppose a change to the property line setback for solar on land where there is no residence at the time of application. I oppose setbacks of 50'.

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